

BUILDING INSPECTION



The building inspector is at the Village Office every **Thursday at 1pm**.
If you wish to make an appointment, please call The Village Office at: **250-355-2277**
**There are no inspections on Thurs. November 11th*

THE VILLAGE OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED FOR

REMEMBRANCE DAY

THURSDAY NOVEMBER 11th 2021

UPCOMING BILLS:

BUSINESS LICENSES:

Billing December 15th ~~~Due January 31st 2022

DOG LICENSING:

Billing December 15th ~~~Due January 31st 2022

UTILITIES (WATER/GARBAGE):

Billing in January, Due Mar. 1st 2022

**If needed, please contact the Village Office to inquire about your balance.*

- **ON JANUARY 1st, 2022, ALL OUTSTANDING BALANCES ON UTILITY BILLS WILL BE TRANSFERRED TO ARREARS TAXES.**

PROVINCIAL WOODSTOVE EXCHANGE PROGRAM 2021/22

As a participating member of this program since 2009, the Village will once again provide a **\$100 rebate**, to a maximum of three wood stoves, in addition to the \$250 provincial rebate, for Village Residents who replace old, inefficient woodstoves with new, efficient EPA-certified heating appliances. Applications are available at the Village Office or the RDCK website.



ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Tuesday, November 16, 2021
3:00 Pacific / 4:00 Mountain
ON ZOOM

20th ANNIVERSARY

The Columbia Basin Alliance for Literacy (CBAL) provides a wide range of programs and services. Our 16 Community Literacy Outreach Coordinators are focused on helping their communities to learn and grow through literacy. "Join us to celebrate another year of literacy and learning. It's our 20th year and things are definitely looking bright!"

Use the link below to register for the AGM, become a member, or both! Memberships start at just \$1.
<https://www.facebook.com/columbiabasinallianceforliteracy>

SLOCAN COMMUNITY LIBRARY



Come in and browse or search our catalog online at: www.slocanlibrary.ca
Slocan Community Library Hours are:
Thursday 1pm - 5pm / Sunday 11am - 3pm
710 Harold Street, Slocan, BC



THE CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF SLOCAN

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NOVEMBER 2021 - NEWSLETTER

OFFICE HOURS:
Monday to Thursday from
9:00am to 4:00pm
(Closed from 12 noon to 1:00pm for lunch)
Closed on Fridays.

2021 Council Meeting Schedule

January 11	May 10	September 13
February 8	June 14	October 12 (Tues.)
March 8	July 12	November 8
April 12	August 9	December 13

(Council Meetings start at 7:00 pm – At the Slocan Legion Hall.)



Missed the last meeting? No problem! Agendas and minutes are available on the Village website:

www.slocancommunity.com/council

The next Regular Council Meeting will be held on December 13th 2021 at 7:00pm

To attend a public meeting, please use the following link to attend virtually, or by telephone:

<https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/322545565> or dial in by phone: 1-647-497-9391 Access Code 322-545-565

THE SPIRIT OF SLOCAN SEVENTH ANNUAL CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHT-UP

Although there will be no public event this year due to Covid-19 protocols, the Spirit of Slocan Group will still be bringing holiday spirit to the Village by decorating a tree for light-up. Letters to Santa will be accepted at the Slocan Post Office.



WEGCSS HOLIDAY HAMPER PROGRAM

W.E. Graham Community Service Society invites individuals or families who need some extra help this coming holiday season to register for the **HOLIDAY HAMPER PROGRAM**. Holiday Hampers from the **Slocan Valley Food Cupboard** help make the holiday season a little more special without adding extra pressure.

REGISTRATIONS CLOSE ON NOVEMBER 18th 2021.

WEGCSS can only make this happen thanks to the support of many amazing local businesses, individuals and organisations. If you are feeling moved by the holiday spirit of giving, there are a number of ways you can help. Volunteers, donations of food or children's gifts, financial donations large or small and sponsors of family hampers are all needed to help make the program happen. Charitable tax receipts can be provided for in-kind or financial donations on request. **Help make the holiday season special for others in our community this year.** Donations and registrations can be made at:

WEGCSS,
1001 Harold Street, Slocan
Call: 250- 355-2484 or email:
officemanager@wegcss.org
Open Tues – Fri 9:00am – 4:00pm



ADOPTION AWARENESS MONTH

takes place every November in BC to draw attention to the number of children and teens waiting for permanent homes through adoption, guardianship, kinship placement, or another form of permanency. Help celebrate the many families who have opened their hearts and homes through adoption and promote, educate and create awareness for adoption through Canada.

For more info on this important campaign please

visit: www.adoptnow.ca
or The Adoptive Families Association of BC website:
www.bcadoption.com



VILLAGE OF SLOCAN MEETING NOTES – November 8th, 2021

- Megan Chadwick, Executive Director, Arrow-Slocan Tourism Association, attended the meeting to provide an update to Council on who the Association is, what they do, strategic plan and objectives, initiatives completed to date, and upcoming projects.
- Julia Greenlaw, Healthy Community Society, attended the meeting to provide information to Council on the North Slocan Organics Waste Diversion Program.
- The 2021 Springer Creek Campground Operator's Report was received. The report demonstrated an overall exceptional year, despite COVID and some cancellations due to wildfire smoke. Campground revenues exceeded all previous years' revenues to date, bringing in \$75,787 for the Village during the 2021 camping season. Revenues collected are solely from site reservation sales, firewood sales, shower sales, and sani-dump sales. Council renewed the operator contract for the 2022 season with Sandy Flynn, Sandy Hetherington, and Sandy Smith. Rates will be increased for the 2022 season, as recommended by the operators, based on an analysis of rates charged at municipal campgrounds throughout the region. Improvements coming soon for the 2022 campground season include the new online reservation and payment system, and an electrical upgrade project, funded by a grant received from the Kootenay-Rockies Tourism Development Fund, in partnership with the Villages of Silverton and New Denver.
- Council approved the 2022 Council Meeting Schedule.
- Garbage rates will not be increased for the 2022 billing cycle, as fees collected covered the cost of the service for 2021. Council will consider regular annual inflationary increases starting with the 2023 billing cycle.
- Water rates for the 2022 billing cycle will increase by 3%, as scheduled. This equates to an increase of \$15 on the regular flat-rate residential charge.
- Council gave first three readings to the "Village of Slocan Fees & Charges Amendment Bylaw No. ____, 2021", amending *Schedule 'E': Fees for Water Service*, and *Schedule 'G': Parks & Recreation Fees*.
- The Village Office will be closed for the Christmas Holiday from 9:00am on Monday, December 20th, 2021 until 9:00am on Monday, January 3rd, 2022.
- Council will award \$500 to the Slocan Fire Department, allocated in the 2021 budget, as the Village's contribution towards the purchase of *Slocan Fire Department* branded casual wear for its members, and that the Village provide a complimentary Slocan Fitness Center annual pass to each member once the Fitness Center re-opens.
- Council granted approval for locating and cutting a tree to place on the Wellness Center grounds for the purpose of a 7th annual Christmas Tree Light-Up Celebration. Public Works will assist with the labour and equipment, and Council granted permission to use the Wellness Center for power.
- Staff were directed to investigate options for removal, repair, or replacement of the breakwater, to be discussed during budget deliberations.

SNOW REMOVAL

Council has directed staff to send letters out to all residents that have vehicles, boats and other debris on the road allowances, requesting removal in advance of snow clearing.

Pursuant to the Slocan Traffic & Highways Regulation Bylaw, the Village has authority to tow, at the owner's expense, any vehicles obstructing road maintenance.

We kindly ask that if you have vehicles, boats or debris on the road allowance, that they be moved onto your private property immediately.

Please notify the Village Office if you notice a street light out of service or flickering.



Council Meeting Attendance:

Council meetings are currently being held at the Slocan Legion Hall, 502 Harold Street. Residents are also able to attend virtually, or by telephone! **Attend Online:** <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/322545565>

Dial in by Telephone: 1-647-497-9391 (Access Code: 322-545-565)

Keep up to date on Village business by attending regular Council meetings, or by visiting our website or Facebook page:

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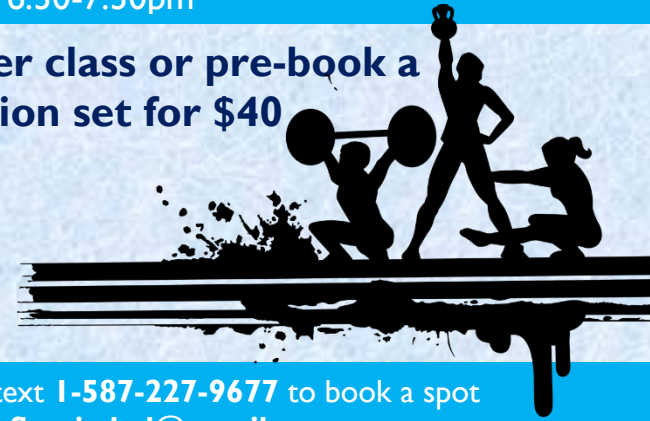
REMINDER: ITEMS SUBMITTED FOR INCLUSION ON THE COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN 12-NOON, 7 DAYS IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING. LATE ITEMS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED AND WILL BE INCLUDED ON THE NEXT MEETING AGENDA.

GROUP FITNESS CLASSES

Come join personal trainer, Florrie, for a fun and challenging class for all fitness levels!

MON. WED. FRI. 7am – 8am | SAT. 8-9am
TUES. 6:30-7:30pm

\$12 per class or pre-book a 4-session set for \$40



Call or text 1-587-227-9677 to book a spot or email florrie.hal@gmail.com

VILLAGE OFFICE HOLIDAY HOURS AND GARBAGE SCHEDULE

TUE Dec 21st	Residential + Commercial	As scheduled
FRI Dec 24th	Commercial	CANCELLED
TUE Dec 28th	Residential + Commercial	As scheduled
FRI Dec 31st	Commercial	CANCELLED
TUE Jan 4th	Residential + Commercial	As scheduled

The Village Office will be closed from 9am on Monday, December 20th, 2021 and will re-open at 9am on Monday, January 3rd, 2022.

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING DATES for 2022

Monday, January 10 th	Monday, April 11 th	Monday, July 11 th	*Tuesday, October 11 th
Monday, February 14 th	Monday, May 9 th	Monday, August 8 th	Monday, November 14 th
*Tuesday, March 15 th	Monday, June 13 th	Monday, September 12 th	Monday, December 12 th

Utility & Tax Payments can be made at any time of year and will be applied to your account as a credit/prepayment. You can come into the Village Office and make payments with a debit card or cheque, or if you bank with a credit union/BMO, payments can be made online! You can also e-transfer to: cao@villageofslocan.ca. Please reference your tax/utility account number in the message.

SLOCAN HEALTH & WELLNESS CENTER CLINIC

Interior Health - Nurse Practitioner

Thursdays, 10am – 4pm, Slocan Office: 250-355-2279 New Denver Office : 250-358-7211

Raven Acupuncture, c/o Brendan Murray-Nellis

Wednesdays 10am-1pm, Thursdays-Saturdays 10am-6pm | ravenacupuncture@gmail.com

By appointment only. Direct Line : 250-551-2581

Slocan Valley Massage Therapy, c/o Anthony Florio

Sun. 10am - 6pm, & Tues. 11am-7pm, by appt. only.

Direct Line : 250-226-0091 or 778-839-5588 Book Online at: <https://slocanvalleymassage.com>

Grit & Grace Counselling, c/o Jane Flotron, RTC

Direct Line : 250-551-4677 jane@gritandgraceRST.ca

www.slocancity.com/wellness-centre

PLEASE REMEMBER...

to follow Covid-19 Protocols and Procedures at all times. It is also cold and flu season! Wash your hands often, avoid touching your face, cough in to your sleeve, wear a mask and stay home if you are sick.



Persons with disabilities and seniors may apply for Clearance of Driveway Furrows at the Village Office. Proof of eligibility is required for new applicants – recurring applicants can re-register over the phone.

This is a complimentary service and furrows are cleared after all other plowing has been done. If you require more immediate assistance with furrow removal, we recommend contacting a local contractor.

